

Harvey Milk Youth Voices Contest – APPLICATION

Name: Age School

Address: City..... Zip:.....

Phone Number(s): Email:

PARENTAL & STUDENT RELEASE & CONSENT FORM

(Entry is not complete without parental or legal guardian consent for those under 18.)

The Harvey Milk Essay Contest is open to all students ages 13-22. Essays are due by **5 pm on Friday, April 19, 2019**. The winners of the contest will be notified via email. Awards presented at the Harvey Milk Diversity Breakfast on May 15, 2019.

Once essays are submitted, they become the property of Greater Palm Springs Pride to determine prize notifications and publication. If an essay is selected as a prize winner, Greater Palm Springs Pride reserves the right to publish or display essays online, within the community and at the breakfast.

My child / I,enter student name....., has / give my permission to participate in the Harvey Milk **Youth Voices Contest** and Breakfast. I understand that, if selected as a prizewinner, the student will be required to attend the breakfast and their essay may be published online, within the community and at the breakfast.



Student Signature: Date:

Parent/Guardian Name:Signature:

3 – Ways to Return This Signed Application and Submit Your Essay

- Give to your GSA Advisor so they can submit, or
- Send via email or YouTube video link along with a relevant photo of the author to Milk@pspride.org

QUESTIONS? please contact: Milk@pspride.org.

CONTEST THEME: Perhaps you participated in a social justice program, marched in a Pride parade, experienced or witnessed bullying, struggled with coming out, or have been active in your GSA and encountered struggles with LGBT student’s freedom of expression. Share your story. Use your essay or video to tell us about your experiences, your coming out process, or why LGBT rights matter to you.

CONTEST PRIZES: Prizes Awarded in Two Categories - Written Essays and Digital Essays

1. **First Prize:** Opportunity to present your story at the Harvey Milk Diversity Breakfast (with an estimated 1,000 people), and Free registration to the breakfast. \$150 cash.
2. **Second Prize:** \$50 cash. Free registration to the breakfast. Opportunity to have essay presented at the Harvey Milk Diversity Breakfast.

CONTEST RULES:

- Video essays and written essays are acceptable. Essays must address the contest theme and be between 400-600 words in length. Spoken word, poetry or essay videos must be between 90 and 180 seconds long.
- All authors must be students ages 13-22.
- All participants are required to attend the Harvey Milk Diversity Breakfast May 15, 2019.

